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Consumer Price Index

July 2016

Overview

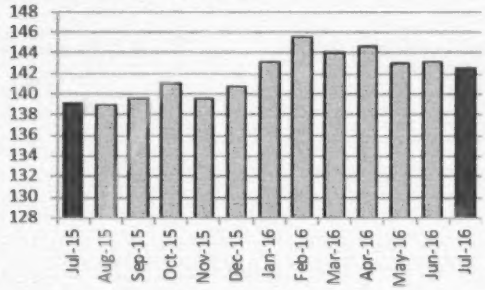
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in July rose 0.8% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.3% for Canada, 0.9% for Edmonton, 0.8% for Whitehorse and 3.1% for Iqaluit.

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)

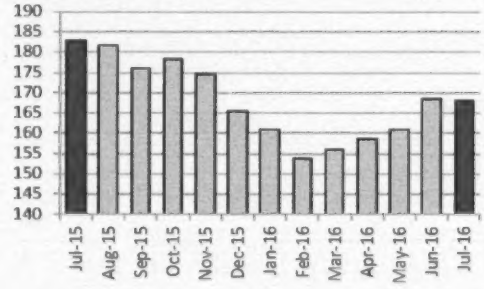
				% Change from		12-Month Average		
	16-Jul	16-Jun	15-Jul	16-Jun	15-Jul	15-Aug 16-Jul	14-Aug 15-Jul	% Change
Yellowknife	132.4	132.6	131.3	-0.2	0.8	131.5	129.5	1.5
Canada	128.9	129.1	127.3	-0.2	1.3	127.7	125.9	1.4
Edmonton	135.3	136.2	134.1	-0.7	0.9	134.6	132.4	1.7
Whitehorse	126.4	126.6	125.4	-0.2	0.8	124.9	123.9	0.8
Iqaluit	125.0	123.7	121.2	1.1	3.1	122.1	119.3	2.3

Compared to July 2015, prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of recreation, education & reading and shelter. Food contributed to the increase, rising by 2.4% while energy products fell by 8.1% since July 2015. While the price of food is higher than 12 months ago, it has steadily decreased since February 2016. In contrast, the price of energy products have steadily increased since February.

Yellowknife CPI - Food
July 2015 to July 2016



Yellowknife CPI - Energy
July 2015 to July 2016



On a monthly basis, the overall Yellowknife index decreased by 0.2%; the first monthly decline this year. Lower prices for food, household operations & furnishings and transportation were partially offset by increases in other components.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JULY 2016
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

	16-Jul	16-Jun	15-Jul	% Change from 16-Jun	% Change from 15-Jul
All Items	132.4	132.6	131.3	-0.2	0.8
Food	142.5	143.2	139.1	-0.5	2.4
Food from Stores	142.1	143.0	138.9	-0.6	2.3
Food from Restaurants	142.2	142.2	138.3	-	2.8
Shelter	150.0	149.8	150.1	0.1	-0.1
Water, Fuel & Electricity	182.0	180.2	192.2	1.0	-5.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	116.2	116.4	113.9	-0.2	2.0
Household Operations	123.8	124.1	122.5	-0.2	1.1
Household Furnishings	100.0	100.0	95.9	-	4.3
Clothing & Footwear	102.3	102.2	100.3	0.1	2.0
Clothing	96.0	95.0	92.0	1.1	4.3
Footwear	93.4	95.7	97.5	-2.4	-4.2
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	145.4	145.4	141.7	-	2.6
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	111.4	111.4	109.9	-	1.4
Transportation	127.5	130.0	125.0	-1.9	2.0
Private Transportation	125.8	130.0	124.9	-3.2	0.7
Public Transportation	136.7	133.8	128.8	2.2	6.1
Health & Personal Care	121.9	118.5	119.0	2.9	2.4
Health Care	118.5	117.8	117.4	0.6	0.9
Personal Care	125.6	120.3	121.3	4.4	3.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	104.7	103.9	107.4	0.8	-2.5
Recreation	100.4	99.5	103.9	0.9	-3.4
Education & Reading	130.2	130.1	126.7	0.1	2.8
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	167.1	167.1	167.0	-	0.1
Alcoholic Beverages	144.7	144.6	149.4	0.1	-3.1
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	196.7	196.8	187.5	-0.1	4.9
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	130.5	130.7	129.8	-0.2	0.5
Energy	128.8	129.0	126.6	-0.2	1.7
Shelter	124.8	125.2	123.3	-0.3	1.2
Alcoholic Beverages	132.1	132.3	130.9	-0.2	0.9
Tobacco Products	131.2	131.5	130.2	-0.2	0.8
Housing (1986 Definition)	139.4	139.3	140.4	0.1	-0.7
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	168.0	168.4	182.8	-0.2	-8.1
Electricity	188.0	188.0	196.8	-	-4.5
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	193.6	187.7	216.1	3.1	-10.4
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	137.0	140.6	153.8	-2.6	-10.9
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM Table 326-0020
2. CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: September 23, 2016.